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RE: HEARING APPLICATION
Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A
Elm Grove Field
Bossier Parish, Louisiana
Our File No. 430071.0042

Dear Sir:

On behalf of QUESTAR EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION COMPANY, application is hereby made for a public hearing to receive evidence concerning the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana:

1. To redefine the Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, INsofar AND ONLY INsofar, as to LCV RA SUU, LCV RA SUW, and LCV RA SUX, as being the stratigraphic equivalent of that gas and condensate bearing interval encountered between the depths of 8,488 feet and 10,815 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Tenneco Oil Co. - Baker No. 1 Well, located in Section 12, Township 16 North, Range 10 West, Bienville Parish, Louisiana.
2. Except for the redefinition noted above, to ratify, confirm and continue in full force

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justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Lower Cotton Valley Zone, Reservoir A, in the Elm Grove Field, Bossier Parish, Louisiana, was previously defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 361-E, effective July 16, 1996, but shall be redefined as set forth above.

Pertinent data concerning the intended application will be made available for inspection at the offices of the undersigned. Any person wishing to inspect such data should call the undersigned at (318) 221-6858 during normal business hours or write the undersigned at the above address in order to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such pertinent data can be obtained at the expense of the requesting party.

A list of the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties (as defined in the Rules of Procedure) is attached hereto, and a copy of this notice, with the annexed plat, is being sent to each of such persons. A reasonable effort has been made to determine that the enclosed list includes all of the persons to whom this notice must be sent under the Rules of Procedure.

A Pre-Application Conference was held at the offices of Blanchard, Walker, O'Quin & Roberts, 15th Floor Conference Room, Bank One Tower, 400 Texas Street, Shreveport, Louisiana, on April 10, 2003. In addition to the Applicant's representatives, said conference was attended by the parties shown on the attached attendance list. Following a presentation by Applicant's representatives as to the bases for its proposal, a general discussion ensued prior to adjournment. No counterplans were filed.

A check in the amount of \$755.00 made payable to the Commissioner of Conservation is enclosed herewith as the statutory fee for holding the requested hearing.

This application is being filed in duplicate, and a copy hereof is being sent to Mr. James C. Broussard, Shreveport District Manager of the Office of Conservation and to each Interested Owner, Represented Party and Interested Party whose name is shown on the attached list.

Very truly yours,

